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Re: Docket No. 2006-0387 – Application of Maui Electric Company, Limited ("MECO") for
Approval of Rate Increases and Revised Rate Schedules.

Dear Parties:

On November 19, 2007, MECO filed a letter informing the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") that it and the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Consumer Advocate") have reached verbal settlement of all revenue requirement issues in the above-referenced docket¹ and requested that the Commission suspend the remaining procedural steps set forth in the Stipulated Schedule of Proceedings.² The Commission granted MECO's request to suspend the remainder of the procedural steps of the Schedule of Proceedings, provided that the deadlines for the filing of the Parties' Joint Settlement Letter (December 3, 2007) and MECO's Statement of Probable Entitlement (December 14, 2007) are excluded from the suspension.³

¹The sole parties to this proceeding are MECO and the Consumer Advocate who are hereafter collectively referred to as the "Parties."

²The Stipulated Schedule of Proceedings was approved with modifications by the Commission in Order No. 23496, filed on June 19, 2007, ("Schedule of Proceedings"), and later amended. See Commission letter dated August 24, 2007.

³See Commission letter dated November 30, 2007.

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By letter dated and filed on December 3, 2007, MECO requests an extension of time, from Monday, December 3, 2007, until Friday, December 7, 2007, to file the Parties' Joint Settlement Letter. MECO represents that the Parties have been working on developing the Joint Settlement Letter since reaching settlement and have made "substantial progress" but need additional time to finalize the document. MECO states that the Consumer Advocate concurs with its request.

The Commission will treat the December 3, 2007 letter as a motion for an extension of time to file the Parties' Joint Settlement Letter ("Motion"), pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §§ 6-61-23 and 6-61-41.⁴ Upon review of the Motion and consideration of all related matters, the Commission finds good cause to grant the Motion. Thus, the Commission hereby grants the Motion and approves MECO's request for an extension of time (from Monday, December 3, 2007, to Friday, December 7, 2007) to file the Parties' Joint Settlement Letter.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ji Sook (Lisa) Kim at 586-2013.

Sincerely,


Carlito P. Caliboso
Chairman

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⁴Pursuant to: (1) HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1), the Commission for good cause shown may order a period enlarged if a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed; and (2) HAR § 6-61-41(e), motions that do not involve the final determination of a proceeding may be determined by the chairperson or commissioner.